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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF BONN SUMMIT ANTI-HIJACKING
DECLARATION

REF: (A) STATE 186923, (B) BUCHAREST 5819

1. JOINT DEMARCHE BY BONN SUMMIT AMBASSADORS OR
CHARGES IN BUCHAREST ON BONN SUMMIT DECLARATION ON
HIJACKING WAS MADE SEPT. 11 ON ROMANIAN FOREIGN
MINISTER STEFAN ANDREI. FRG AMBASSADOR RICHARD
BALKEN WAS SPOKESMAN. AMBASSADORS OF CANADA, ITALY, AND
CHARGES OF UNITED KINGDOM, FRANCE AND JAPAN, IN
ADDITION TO MYSELF, WERE PRESENT. FOREIGN AFFAIRS
MINISTER ANDREI WAS ACCOMPANIED BY DEPUTY MINISTER
GLIGA AND THREE ADDITIONAL STAFF MEMBERS.

2. AFTER EXPLAINING A BIT OF THE BONN SUMMIT BACK-
GROUND, AMBASSADOR BALKEN SAID THAT DIPLOMATIC
REPRESENTATIVES IN BUCHAREST OF SEVEN GOVERNMENTS
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PARTICIPATING IN BONN SUMMIT HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO
PRESENT TEXT OF DECLARATION TO GOR. AMBASSADOR BALKEN
THEN HANDED COPY OF DECLARATION IN ENGLISH AND UNOFFICIAL
ROMANIAN TRANSLATION TO ANDREI. SUBSEQUENTLY, HE READ
ENTIRE TEXT. HE THEN STRESSED HIGH AND IMMEDIATE
PRIORITY DEVOTED BY GOVERNMENTS TO DECLARATION. HE SAID
GOVERNMENTS CONSIDER IT TO BE A COMMITMENT INVOLVING

MAJOR EFFORT TO ELIMINATE HIJACKING AND OTHER TERRORIST ACTS. STRESSING THAT CONSENSUS REPRESENTED IN DECLARATION IS OF GREAT SIGNIFICANCE, SINCE AIR CARRIERS OF THOSE COUNTRIES UNDERTAKING COMMITMENT HANDLED MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF AIR TRAFFIC IN WORLD, HE SAID THAT GOVERNMENT SIGNATORIES WISH TO REQUEST SUPPORT OF GOR FOR DECLARATION AND MEASURES CONTAINED THEREIN. NOTING THAT SIGNATORY GOVERNMENTS CONSIDER DECLARATION TO BE IN CONSONANCE WITH VARIOUS EXISTING INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS, SUCH AS HAGUE CONVENTION, AMBASSADOR BALKEN SAID SIGNATORIES WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE IT IF GOVERNMENT OF ROMANIA COULD JOIN IN EFFORTS DESCRIBED IN DECLARATION AND, FURTHERMORE, TO EXPRESS ITS POSITION PUBLICLY.

3. FOREIGN MINISTER ANDREI RESPONDED THAT BONN DECLARATION APPEARS TO ADDRESS TWO PROBLEMS: (1) GENERAL PROBLEM OF TERRORISM AND (2) ISSUE OF HI JACKING. HE PROCEEDED TO DESCRIBE GOR POSITION ON TERRORISM, THAT IS, THAT GOVERNMENT PUBLICLY DEPLORES INDIVIDUAL TERRORIST ACTIVITIES, FAVORS MEASURES TO LIQUIDATE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL CAUSES OF TERRORIST ACTS, AND AT SAME TIME, DISTINGUISHES BETWEEN TERRORISM AND STRUGGLE FOR SOCIAL AND NATIONAL LIBERATION. GOR WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. AS REGARDS HIJACKING, ANDREI LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SAID THAT GOR POSITION IS CLEAR: IT IS PARTY OF HAGUE CONVENTION AND MONTREAL CONVENTION. GOR CONSIDERS THAT THERE SHOULD BE WIDE INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE REAL SECURITY FOR CIVILIAN AVIATION AND TO ELIMINATE HIJACKING OF CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT. HE SAID THAT GOR WILL ANALYZE BONN DECLARATION IN THAT SPIRIT, AND REPLY WOULD BE MADE TO JOINT DEMARCHE.

4. IN EMBASSY VIEW, JOINT DEMARCHE, ALTHOUGH DELAYED DUE TO DIFFICULTIES IN COORDINATING DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS AND FOREIGN MINISTER ANDREI'S BUSY SCHEDULE, WAS SUCCESS. NOT ALL POINTS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO USG WERE COVERED, HOWEVER.

5. I AND MEMBERS OF MY STAFF WILL TAKE UP ISSUE WITH DIRECTOR, DIRECTORATE V (AMERICANS), MFA, AMBASSADOR/CORNELIU BOGDAN. AGGREY

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